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Sir:

Submitted herewith is an Information Disclosure Citation together with copies
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Also, enclosed is a copy of a Japanese Official Action dated June 19, 2000
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Also, enclosed is a copy of a Japanese Official Action dated June 19, 2000 issued by the Japanese Patent Office in applicant's Priority Application No. 11-239146 along with a partial English translation thereof. This Japanese Official Action lists the first six Japanese references set forth in the attached PTO 1449.

Respectfully submitted,

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